"Put me off at Brills"

BROOKLYN'S ST. LOUIS DELEGATE MET AND TALKED.

Then Mayor Wurster Hurried Off to Albany to See About the Signing of the Greater New York Bill - Rumors of McKinley Talk by the Delegates Follow, There is a trick in New York State politics known as "holding up the Governor." It is an attempt on the part of Republican politicians and Muswumps to influence the Governor of the State for or against legislation at Albany in which they are directly interested. If the Gov-ernos is opposed to the proposed legislation, these politicians and Mogwamps get up side shows and meetings which are lu the nature of threats, especially if the Governor of the State is at the time a candidate either for a renomi-

nation or for a nomination for a still higher place. Only those behind the scenes are familfar with these hold-up methods. For many years the city of Buffalo, on the shores of Lake Erie, was the prize "holder-up" of Governors. The politicians, Democrats, Republicans, and Mugwumps in that thriving city did a flourishing business as holder-ups. The Republican politicians and the Mugwumps of the city of Brooklyn, on the shores of the Gowanna Canal and the Eric Rasin, in the estimation of thoughtful Brooklynites who expressed their views yesterday, have outstripped their brethren of Buffalo in the hold-up business.

With this little preface, the facts will now be told concerning the meeting on Tuesday night at the Union League Ciub in Bedford avenue of eight of the ten Republican delegates to the St. Louis Convention. Two dozen different stories have been told as to the purpose and results of the meeting. It was to provide for transportation of the Kings county Republicans to St. Louis; it was called to discuss McKinley's chances; it was called for the purpose of ascer-taining Morton's chances, and so on and so on. Wurster, the astute Republican who said a week ago that he called on Thomas C. Platt at the Fifth Avenue to discuss bed and board for the Brooklyn delegates at St. Louis. board for the Brooklyn delegates at St. Louis, left the meeting on Tuesday night in time to get the midnight train for Albany. Meantime those opposed to the Greater New York bill, still unsigned in Gov. Morton's hands, peddled all sorts of stories as to the results of the meeting of the redoubtable eight, including his Honor Mr. Wurster, All were to the effect that from four to seven of the delegates present would vote for McKinley on the ifrat ballot. These stories were printed in time to have Gov. Morton read them at his breakfast table in Albany yesterday morning just about the time Mayor Wurster was rolling into the City of Hills for the purpose of discussing with Gov. Morton the Greater New York bill, the Commissioners for Brooklyn to be named in it, and other Brooklyn matters pending before Gov. Morton. The meeting of the eight delegates at the Brooklyn Unon Leegue Club had been well advertified. Gov. Morton hadn't signed the Greater New York bill, and there were reports in certain circles to the effect that he was hest certain circles to the effect that he was hest

The meeting broke up at midnight Tuesday, and then the word went forth that really nothing had been done, save that a resolution urging the delegates to come out, for McKinley had been laid on the table until the result of the Indiana State Convention in Indianapolis to-day was known.

No such resolution was introduced or dis-

Cussed.
Theodore B. Willis, Chairman of the delegation, said yesterday: "No resolution or proposi-tion or motion was made by any of the delegates to endorse any of the Fresidential candidates." Gov. Morton still has the Greater New York bill and the naming of the Brooklyn Commission ers under consideration. But Brooklyn Repub-lican politics is so interesting at this time that it is necessary to give the list of the delegates present at that wonderful meeting: present at that Wonderful meeting:
Second District—Theodore B. Willis and George H.
Roberts, Jr.
Third District—Timothy L. Woodruff and Walter B. ourth District—Granville W. Harmon and Joseph R. Clark.
Fifth District-Frederick W. Wurster and Ernest
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The Sixth district delegates were absent. They are Henry C. Saffen and George Washington Palmer. Their seats in the St. Louis Convention are to be contested by Edward H. Schleuter and Henry C. Fischer. Mr. Saffen and Mr. Palmer are known as two of Brooklyn's most modest citizens, and their friends said yesterday that they had no wish to intrude themselves at the Union League Club meeting, no matter if it was for an anonymous purpose. Mr. Roberts got to the meeting late and Mr. Willis left the meeting early. Mr. Woodruff also went home early, and, as aiready said, Mayor Wurster thought there had been enough of a grand stand play to warrant him in climbing out in time to set the midnight train for Albany. The would-be holders-up would do the rest. There were Republicans at the meeting who cannot be full-fleiged holders-up, and they told what occurred there. They said:

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"We do not wish to be quoted, for obvious reasons, but the fact that what we say appears in The SUN will be a sufficient guarantee of its truth. We talked about transportation a little, but on the whole it was a 'wind-jamming' meeting. Atterbury is the only delegate in Kings county who is to vote for McKinley on the first ballot. That's no news. It has been printed a dozen times. Atterbury has said this all along. He is trying to get Francis Wilson back to Congress, and he thinks that the best way to go to work. Willis says frankly that he favors his old chief Harrison, but he will not leave Morton until he sees a chance for Harrison. Roberts is for Morton, but he will not leave Morton until he sees a chance for flarison. Roberts is for Morton all reports to the contrary notwithstanding. What's to become of his boom for Lieutenant-Governor if he deserts the Republican machine of the State, which has declared for Morton? Wurster says he is the only original Morton man, but at heart he is for McKinley, though not on the first ballot. Kaltenbach is not committed to any candidate. He is waiting like a true statesman for the most righteous opportunity. Harmon has agreed to stand by Morton, but if Allison's name comes up hed run off to Allison. Harmon's father and Allison were old friends. You know Harmon's a Westerner at heart, don't you? Clark is for Morton sure. So are Palmer and Saffen. But we did nothing but gabble. Maybe something will happen later if Gov. Morton signs the Greater New York boil and doesn't give Kings county the kind of Commissioners that the dominant element want. Do you know what he's gone and done?"

"Yea," said the Brooklyn Union Leaguer. Why, he's gone and offered Alexander F. Orr one of the jobs as a Commissioner. Orr's a Clereiand Democrat, was opposed to Greater New York, and, besides, can't Gov. Morton find Republicans in Brooklyn good enough for these places?"

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The foregoing is the true history of the holdup meeting of the eight Republican national
delegates in the Union League Club in Bedford
avenue on Tuesday night, if the words of some
of those present are to be accepted in good
faith.

TENNESSEE FOR FREE SILVER. Taylor to Be Nominated for Governor

NASHVILLE, May 6.-The Democratic State Convention, which will meet at noon to-morrow to nominate a candidate for Governor and elect delegates to the National Convention, will be attended by 2,500 delegates. The Convention will be the largest ever held in the State, and will conclude its session to-morrow evening, unless contests between several county delega-

tions cause delay. The silver men are in the ratio of twenty to one, there having been no sound money aggregation in the State. The more conservative silver delegates have in view the danger of too pronounced a declaration in the platform against the Administration and the sound money policy which it represents, but the great majority of the delegates appear to be as radical as Senator Harris was before the Executive Committee, when he declared that this Convention had a right to declare its own principles, and that the Presidential electors must take care of themselves.

Ex-toy, tobert L. Taylor will receive the nomination for Governor, there being no other

nomination for Governor, there being no other candidate in the field. A delegation of free sil-ver Democrats from St. Louis came here in the interest of Richard P. Bland for the nomination for President at Chicago. They say they are here to see that "Silver Dick's" claims are properly laid before the Tennessee Democracy. hey are doing some strong work and by the messee Democrats and meeting with con-drable encouragement. The chances are that resolution endorsing him will be offered to-

morrow.

The State Judicial Convention, which met today, nominated Judices Barton, Nell, and Wilson, the present members of the Court of Charcery Appeals. The Convention completed its
work in seven minutes.

Pennsylvania's Prohibition Belogates. PHILADELPHIA, May 6.- The Prohibitionists State Convention to cleat delegates to the National Convention at Pittsburgh was called to order by State Chairman Patton of Lancaster this morning in Young Men's Christian Association Hall. About 400 delegates were present, of who in about one-sixth were women. James Manse, the Mayer of Williams for and the first Prohibition Mayer in Pennsylvana, "was Chairman. The indicating delegates at inrecto the National Convention were elected: B. G. Hendricks, belaware: H. L. Casto, Aliegheny, J. H. Modey, Lebanon: Mres H. Frances Jones, Philadelphia, the Rev. William N. Yates, Philadelphia. PRAISED BY LEADER SHERBAN, NEW JERSEY FOR SOUND MONEY. Tammany Hall Members of Assembly Com-plimented Upon Their Loyalty.

The Tammany Hall members of Assembly who were invited by Leader John C. Sheenan to be present at Tammany Hall at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon were on hand, with the exception of Leonard of the Third and Fritz of the Fourteenth, who were unable to attend. Mittnacht of the Sixth and Butts of the Thirty-fifth, who voted against their party and the wishes of the ization, were not invited, but Mittnacht called at the hall after 5 o'clock, at which time the meeting had adjourned. Mittnacht is recognized as one of what is known as the Purroy contingent in the organization. Senator "Dry Dollar" Sullivan, who has created a good deal of hard feeling toward himself by voting for the Lexow investigating committee, is another, Sullivan is Mittnacht's district leader, and the latter said that he did not call at the hall to attend the meeting, but to meet Sullivan. The

attend the meeting, but to meet Sullivan. The latter did not put in an appearance and Mittnacht left without having a word to say to Leader Sheenan.

The legislators who responded to the invitation were cailed into the room of the Executive Committee, where Mr. Sheenan addressed them, He said that he realized that it was an unusal thing to do, but he had felt that it was the due of the men who had so well and faithfully served the organization in the Legislature to commend them for their fealty to organization and party. He said that he felt constrained to compliment the gentlemen before him for their goed work, because there were others who had failed the party and the organization when their votes were most needed on a political bill. In closing he said:

"You are not commended for obeying orders, but for recognizing what was your duty to your party and this organization. You will all bear me out that you received not the slightest order from this organization relative to your vote on any measure which was considered by the Legislature at its recent session. You simply knew what its attitude was regarding the political measures considered and acted accordingly, and I know some of the inducements which were offered, but which failed to turn you from your duty."

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After Mr. Sheehan's talk the Assemblymen organized, with Pavidson of the Thirty-third as Chairman, to take action on the death of Assemblyman Hernard H. Malone of the Thirty-fourth. Assemblymen Davidson, Delmore, and T. F. Donnelly were appointed a committee to adopt suitable resolutions.

NEW JERSEY PROHIBITIONISTS.

The Rev. Mr. Mend Tells the State Convention There Is Danger of a Split. TRENTON, N. J., May 6 .- The New Jersey Prohibitionists to-day held their State Convenon and elected twenty-eight delegates to their National Convention, to be held at Pitts-burgh on May 28. About 250 delegates were in attendance, including half a dozen women, Mrs. Emma Bourne of Newark was elected one of the delegates at large. There were nineteen candidates nominated. William H. Nicholson of Camden, George Lamont of Bound Brook, the Rev. Dr. James B. Graw of Trenton, and the Rev. Charles H. Mead of Montclair were elected by acclamation. A ballot was taken for the other eight delegates at large, and Mrs. Bourne received the fourth highest vote. The twelve defeated candidates were chosen as alternates. Each of the eight Congress districts elected two designs, who the delegation at large are four men who have been candidates for Governor on the Prohibition ticket; Messrs, Nichelson Lamont, Solomon Parsons of Paterson, and Henry W. Wilbur of Vincland.

The Rev. Charles H. Mcal was made temporary and permanent Chairman. In his Congress districts elected two delegates. In

The Rev. Charles II. Mcal was made temporary and permanent Chalrman. In his address he said there was a big fight on in the Prohibition party between the Western faction, or "Broad-guage element," who wanted the national platform to make a declaration cut all public questions, and the Eastern, or "dominant issue" faction, who wanted a declaration only on the temperance question. The Chairman expressed the opinion that it would take stifful engineering to prevent a suit in the party on the question. A platform was adopted.

NEW EDITOR FOR THE VOICE. Editor Wheeler Differs from the Owners on an Important Question.

TRENTON, May 6 .- Henry W. Wilbur of ineland, who was the Prohibition candidate for Governor of New Jersey last fall, is to succeed E. J. Wheeler as editor of the New York Voice, the national Prohibition organ. The change is said to be due to differences between Editor Wheeler and Messrs, Funk & tween Editor Wheeler and Messrs. Funk & Wagnalls as to the policy of the paper. Editor Wheeler sympathizes with the Western or "broad guage" faction who want the party to declare in favor of free sliver.

The owners of the Voice are sound money advocates, and belong to the "Dominant issue" faction, advocating a declaration by the National Convention on the liquor question only. Mr. Wheeler will remain as editor of other Funk & Wagnalls publications. Mr. Wilbur will take charge of the Voice next week. He now publishes a Prohibition paper at Vineland.

M'KINLEYITES WHIPPED.

Snowed Under by Morton Votes in the Blaine Club Election.

The McKinley movement in this city is centhat district is the headquarters of the McKinley League of the State. The district is also the home of John E. Milhelland, the league's chief organizer, as well as of ex-Alderman James G McMurray, the owner of the McKinley banner which came near causing a riot at the Republican State Convention in the Grand Republican State Convention in the Grand Central Palace on March 24. The McKin-levites had such a notion of their strength in the district that they thought to try conclusions with the Platt-Morton men, and they nominated a ticket for officers of the Blaine Republican Club. The annual election of the club was held at the club rooms last night, and the McKinley men were snowed under with Morton ballots. Ex-Alderman McMurray, President of the McKinley League of the district was the McKinley League of the district was the McKinley and date for the President of the Club. His opponent was Charles N. Swift. Swift was supported not only by Mayor's Secretary Job E. Hedges and other administration Republicans who are faithful Morton men, but by Robert B. Miller, Heary Birrell, and all the Pratt members of the club. The Morton ticket won by a vote of 85 to 45.

FESSENDEN STILL HAS HOPES. The Connecticut Reed Man Hasn't Given Up the Race.

New Haven, May 6. - In an interview here today Samuel Fessenden, Republican National Committeeman for Connecticut, leader of the Reed men in this State and a very close friend of the Maine candidate, said that McKinley appeared to have a little the best of the race, but that a good many things might happen during e coming month.
"Speaker iteed's friends haven't abandoned
ope," said he. In reference to the possibility Speaker from a freeze to the possibility that Reed may be nominated Vice-President on the ticket with McKinley, Mr. Fessenden said that he did not believe freed was anxious for the Vice-Presidency, and that if he should take it, it would be only after considerable arging. "I do not think he would care to be a candidate for any effice except the Presidency," said Mr. Fessenden.

Five of the New York Delegation Said to

Be for Mckinley, Washington, May 6. Gen. Grosvener, who s said to have in his possession letters from five members of the New York delegation saying that their Presidential preference is McKinley. Is out in Ohio looking after the details of the coming campaign. Several of the Ohio Concoming campaign. Several of the Ohio Congressmen, who are in frequent consultation with ten Grissvenor when he is in Washington, were seen to-night, but none of them has positive anowledge of the existence of the letters referred to. In political circles here it has been represented for some time past that several members of the New York delegation in Congress are looking with friendly eyes toward McKinley, but it by laze thus for refrained from coming out for him because of their loysity to the party organization.

The Democratic Candidates for Governor. The Hon. John B. Stanchfield of Eimira, minority leader of the Assembly, and a hustling Democratic candidate for Governor, was at the Hoffman House last night, putting in additional work on his canvass. Mr. Stanchfield, it was work on his canvass. Mr. Stanchfield, it was said, has been in Washington visiting Senator tilli, and that he now proposes to visit the Brooklyn and other Democrats and ascertain their views as to his candidary.

Mr. Stanchfield has many friends in Tammany dail, and his triends at Albany are working constantly among the country Democrats to bring about his nomination.

The Hoo. Perry Belmont sailed on the New York for Euroje yesterday, and thus set at rest the rejects that he is an aggressive candidate for the nomination.

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Democratic Convention To-day - Senator Smith Chairman of the State Committee. TRENTON, May 6.-The Democratic State Committee met to-night to arrange the preliminaries of to-morrow's Convention. Its first business was to accept the resignation of Edward F. C. Young of Jersey City as Chairman of the committee and elect United States Sen-ator James Smith in his place. This action adds Senator Smith to the committee, and some of the politicians question the right of the com-

mittee to do so, but a committeeman replied:
"It can be done, because we have done it." The committee selected ex-Speaker James J. Bergen of Somerset county for temporary Chairman of the Convention, and it is the ex-pectation that he will be continued as permanent Chairman. Assemblyman Queen of Hudson has been endorsed by his delegation for permanent Chairman, but he said to-night that he did not know whether the Hudson men would make a fight for him or not. Mr. Bergen is acceptable to all sections, and it is not believed he will be supplianted. Ex-Assemblyman John J. Matthews of Union county will be temporary secretary, with ex-Assemblyman William Pinkard of Monmouth and Samuel Semple of Burlington as his assistants.

The committee considered the draft of the platform that had been prepared by a sub-committee, and will recommend its acceptance by the Resolutions Committee to-morrow. One of the committeenen said it would declare in favor of a gold standard as strongly as the English language will permit.

The platform will endorse the Administration of President Cleveland and will declare against any change in the present tariff law, because a change would have a serious devressing and unsettling effect on the business interests of the country. It is conceded that Senator Smith and Alian L. Molermott will be chosen as two of the delegates at large to Chicago. Exsension Frederick C. Marsh of Elizabeth will probably be the third.

For fourth place there is a fight between exduce Howard Carrow and ex-Assemblyman William J. Thompson says he has all the south Jersey delegations with him, and expects to be elected. There is a movement to select the fourth delegate from some other county in order to promote harmony.

There are not over fifty or sixty delegates in town to-night, and the city is duller than it ever has been on the eve of a State Convention. But little information can be had concerning the district delegates because of the sim attendance. Judge Gottfried Krueger and Gen. Edward P. Meany are said to be slated as delegates from the Sixth district, and James J. Bergen will be one of the delegates from the Sixth district, and James J. Bergen will be one of the delegate from the Sixth district, and James J. Bergen of the similar to will be one of the delegate from the Scond.

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A member of the State Committee said to-A member of the State Committee said tonight that there was nothing in the story that a
boom for Cleveland would be launched in the
Convention to-morrow. He believed that a
large majority of the New Jersey Democrata
prefer him to any other candidate, and had
little doubt that the twenty delegates from New
Jorsey would vote for his nomination if his
name is brought before the Chicago Convention,
but he knew of no movement to further the
nomination, and the matter was not discussed
by the State Committee to-night.

Otto Irving Wise Moves Out of the Twentyninth.

Otto Irving Wise will no longer be a disturbing element in the Republican politics of the Twenty-ninth diamond-back Assemby district. Wise by his activity a few years ago came near securing the defeat of Chauncey M. Depew as a securing the defeat of Chauncey M. Depew as a delegate to the Republican State Convention. He stirred up the old heads in the district, who thought that all honors should come their way as a matter of course, and has had a good deal to do with keeping Republican politics in the district at the boiling point ever since his first escapade. Mr. Wise has moved into the Thirty-second district, where he may be depended on to keep up his reputation for political activity.

The A. P. A. for McKinley. Sr. Louis, May 6.-Judge J. H. Jackson of Fort Worth, Tex., Supreme Vice-President of the American Protective Association, is here.

He says: This alleged fight of the A. P. A. against McKinley is all a humbug, and I have every reason to believe that the Supreme (Joinell will repudiate the action of the Advisory Beard, which clearly overstepped its authority in attempting to dictate to the order whom it shall and shall not support. McKinley stands all right in the order and over 50 per cent, of us are with him."

May Be a Woman Candidate for Governor In Arkansas,

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 6.-The Prohibition State Convention met here to-day and effected a preliminary organization. To-morrow a plata preliminary organization. To-morrow a plat-form will be adopted and delegates elected to the Pittsburgh Convention. In order to empha-size their views in favor of female suffrage many of the delegates are in favor of nominat-ing a woman for Governor. The candidate se-lected for the position is Mrs. G. C. Christian of Eureka Springs.

Is Arkansas in Favor of Bolting? LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 6 .- One-third of the ounties in Arkansas have held Democratic prinaries to instruct for State officers. Returns up to date show that D. W. Jones has fifty-two more delegates instructed for him than Harrod has. Both are free-silver Democrats. Jones's strong card in the canvass being that he will bolt the Chicago Convention unless it adopts a free-silver platform.

RENTING TENTS. Hired for a Variety of Uses in City and

Country. Tents are rented for a great variety of uses, in city, suburbs, and country, and they may be hired of any size, from a tent seven feet source on the ground up to tents measuring 100x50. Tents are hired by churches, and for fairs and political conventions, by argricultural societies, political conventions, by argricultural societies, for camp meetings, for corner-stone layings, for horse shows for camping-out and fishing and hunting parties, for flower shows and refreshments and ice cream, and for stage representations of army life, and other uses.

A tent of a kind frequently rented to churches is one 20x40; it may be of piain canvas or fancy stripes. Suppose the tent to have been hired by a church in a town fifty miles away; usually the tent maker sends a man with it to set it up, which he does with help obtained in the locality; but sometimes, if it is so desired, the tent is shipped to the hirers, who attend to the work of setting it up and taking it down themselves. It may be that a number of the largest tents are rented for use, joined together or separately, on the same occasion, as, for instance, for a fair. The big tents are likely to be kept busy, in the season, with schedules of dates ahead; and to get tents down and transported, perhaps across country, to the point where they are to go next and set up again there in time takes sometimes lively work.

The cost of hiring a tent decends, of course upon the size of the tent and the period for which it is hired. A wedge tent, seven feet square on the ground, the familiar "A" tent of the army, can be hired for \$2 a single week. A wall tent, of the eige commonly known as an officer's tent, would cost for a single week \$3 to \$4. Hig tents cost \$10 a day and upward; the rent of a tent 100x50 would be about \$50 a day, it is customary in renting tents to require a deposit of the full value of the tent or a satisfactory guarantee that it will be returned in good order. for camp meetings, for corner-stone layings,

President of the British Association. LONDON, May 6,- Mr. John Evans, who has been created a Knight Commander of the Bath.

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TRANSVAAL PRISONERS. It Is Said Their Severe Sentences Will Be

Reduced to Nominal Fines. JOHANNESBURG, May 6 .- The Diogers' News says that the sentences imposed upon the convicted members of the Reform Committee will be reduced to nominal fines, that part of the sentences prescribing imprisonment and subsequent banishment being revoked. LONDON, May 6. - The Globe publishes a de-

spatch denying the assertions made by the Standard that Mr. Cecil Rhodes has telegraphed Mr. Chamberlain that he places himself in Mr. Chamberlain's hands unreservedly; that he offers to resign his membership in the Privy Council and to retire from the directorable of the British South Africa Company, and that he agrees to return to England at once if Mr.

The facts are, the Globe says, that the Board of Directors of the British South Africa Company already hold the resignations of Cecil Rhodes and Alfred Beit, but have not as yet decided whether or not they will accept them. The matter is now being considered. Nothing is known with certainty here as to the

relations existing between the Government and Cecil Rhodes and other persons connected with him. There are numerous reports in circulation, but nearly all of them are conflicting

The Daily News to-morrow will also deny that the report published in the Standard about Mr. Cecil Rhodes is true. This statement is supported by other assertions, to the effect that no communication has passed between the Colonial Secretary and Mr. Rhodes.

The latter is now at Gwelo, which place he is unlikely to be able to leave until he shall have been reenforced. None of the reports current regarding the matter are to be relied upon, and the story circulated to the effect that Sir Hercules Robinson, Governor of the Cape Colony, has been recalled by the Government is looked upon as improbable. The authorities ignore all the current rumors.

The Daily Telegraph to-morrow will publish a despatch from Pretoria saying that President Krüger, in a private conversation, expressed keen sympathy for Mr. Chamberlain in his dilemma.

President Krilger declared that he was convinced that Mr. Chamberlain was unaware of the intrigues which were on foot to selze the Transvani republic, and did not know how deeply implicated in the plot were the guilty persons when he made his speech on the subject at the end of 1895.

AUBREY BEARDSLEY VERY ILL. Bis Doctors Fear that This Much-talked-

of Young Man Will Not Survive. BRUSSELS, May 5 .- Mr. Aubrey Beardsley, he English artist, who is in this city, is suffering from a pulmonary complaint, which his physicians fear may terminate fatally. Friends are constantly watching at his bedside.

Mr. Beardsley has, for more than two years enjoyed in London a degree of popularity which has rarely been counlied among illustrators. His remarkable productions have been viewed with amazement and doubt as to whether they



AUBRET BEARDSLEY. were sincere efforts or mere hoaxes, but this incredulity has not diminished the popular interest in them or tended to decrease the artist's income, which is said to have reached the sum of \$20,000 within a short time after his first drawing were shown to the public.

He has had a powerful influence on his associates, and few have escaped the temptation of employing some of his eccentricities in their work. He represents in his own field the "decadent' influence in illustrative art which was discernable enough in England in literature before he appeared on the horizon but had never before found expression in black and white. His influence has not been without tis effect in our own country, and both here and in England it is likely to endure for some time. He was only 20 when his first pictures were shown. Many of them suppeared in the Fellow Book and later in the Saroy. He was born at Brighton. His parents were poor and it was intended that he should be a musician. His work aroused an amount of comment and discussion which was profitable to him, and there has, up to this time, been no evidence of any decrease in the interest, which is at least one evidence of the fact that there must be in it some element of strength. To the labor entailed by the number of orders he received is attributed his present physical condition. terest in them or tended to decrease the artist's present physical condition.

RAIN IN MIDRID.

The People Attribute the Downpour to the Intercession of St. Isldore,

Madeto, May 6.- Copious showers of rain fell in Madrid and throughout the adjoining provinces yesterday, a circumstance which is ascribed by the people to the beneficence of St. ascribed by the people to the beneficence of St. Isidore, Madrid's patron saint, to whom the populace appealed on last Monday for rain and for the suppression of the Cuban rebellion.

Thousands of persons visited the cathedral for the purpose of othering prayers of thanks, giving, and were admitted to the sirine of St. Isidore, where their imply it bellef in the inter-cession of the saint in response to their prayers was manifested by their distributing part of the siver uonin and carrying away the fragments for reles, itsel it not been for the interference of the paties there ire coffin would have been carried away piecement.

PERSIA'S NEW SHAH.

He Is Cultivating the Most Cordial Relations with the Czar. St. Pergassing, May 6.-The most cordial

communications have been exchanged between the Czar and Muzaffer ed-Din, the recently prociaimed Shah of Persta. These communications are looked upon as auguring well for the future relations between the Governments of the two

Muzaffer ed-Din, in informing the Czar of the death of the late Shah, avowed that it would be his first duty to foster and develop friendly relations with itussia.

The R.v. Mr. Knapp in Constantinople. P. Knapp, who was expelled from Bitlis, has arrived here BICYCLISTS ARE SO HAPPY. BUT THE WHEELING CRASE HURTS AS WELL AS HELPS.

Merchants, Professional Men, the Theatres, and the Churches Affected Horse Fiesh In Diet Chenp and Liverymon Are Disconsolate flut the Wheels Hum,

The craze for bleyeling has not yet reached the top notch. Sunshine a-plenty makes the wheels hum. For five weeks the cyclists have been alternately happy and enthus astic over the weather. It's true that last Sunday was a little showery, the streets too slippery, and the roads too muddy for riding to be enjoyable. Still a great many had faith enough in the spring weather's past behavior to believe that May was only teasing them a little. But May fooled then. As noon came on the city riders ped-alled home through the mud disconsolately and contented themselves with talking wheels and wheeling for the rest of the afternoon The country riders were not fortunate enough to be able to do this. Their enthusiasm had carried them far out onto the Jersey and Long Island roads, and as a blanket of fog settled down on the rivers separating them from home they crowded the ferryboats and abused the weather.

On Monday, however, the wheels went around again, and wheelers declared that the rain on Sunday laid the dust and made riding more pleasant than before.

The cyclers are the happiest people in America to day, except, perhaps, the bloycle dealers, but lots of other folks are very unhappy, for the craze for bleyeling has interfered seriously with their various business interests. The butchers and bakers and grofected by it. They thrive and grow fat, and line their pockets. Why? Because he who rides must eat, and the most astonishing stories are told among wheelmen and wheelwomen of bird-like appetites that have grown nto those of the ravenous welves, and due ony to the exercise in the open air. As for the hildren riders, when they aren't riding they ire eating, and just the other way.

It's the little grocery and butcher's shop cound the corner that have profited, too, not the big markets. A man who owns one of these stores said: "It's the most astonishing thing how people who ride eat. There's a family dealing with me whose bills used to be \$20 a month. Last month it was \$37.75, and attribute the increase to the wheel. I'll tell you why. Three women and two chil-dren in the family ride. The men do, too, but they take their luncheon down town, and this increase is mostly for luncheons for those women and children. They must have more meat after a twenty or thirty mile spin during the morning, and meat is money, you know.

Wheeling has certainly interfered seriously with the carriage trade, and every one knows that it has made horse flesh dirt cheap. The liverymen say that bleyeling has almost ruined business. The railroad managers own their business. The railroad managers own that it has cut down their passenger lists, but they're hoping that things will be better, now that they are forced to transport bleycles as baggage. Barkeepers declare that wheeling has caused the drinking of intoxicants to decrease, and those who oppose the Raines bill know very well that there is more money in fancy mised drinks or even in plain whiskey than there is in sarsaparilla or viehy. Druggists arow that the sport has interfered with their prescription trade very materially and if people require fewer drugs they must demand less doctoring, so it must have cut down the practice of the medical profession. Throat and car and eye and lung specialists admitted this last autumn.

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The lawyers are too willy to own that bley cling has interfered with their profession, but the cyclists themselves assert that the business of the lawyers is growing slimmer and slimmer, for both men and women who ride express the ominion that the pastime has such a soothing effect on nerves and temper that they feel at peace with everybody, and besides they srend all of their spare time riding, and consequently have no time to get into devilment.

Last fall, about the time the jewellers began to come to the city from the small towns all over the country to buy their Christmas stock, manufacturers of warches and jewelry commenced to deplore the inroads of the wheel on their rights and incomes, but the retail man answered: "We are not one whit better off than you have. It isn't our fault that a boy or girl prefers a bleyele to a witch or a diamond ring, but they do, just the same." The manufacturer and retailers put their heads together and yielded gracefully to the power of the cycle. The former decided to make wheels and the latter to handle them along with necklaces, chains, rings. tiaras, and other baubles that somen care so much for. Of course, well established Jeweiry firms in large cities haven't lost much frade, but not so in small places, so the jewellers there manage to even up things a little by keeping high grade machines histock.

A dealer in pianos said recently: "It is almost impossible to conceive of the injury that the piano business has received from the craze for bleyelling, and as a result many of the smaller concerns have gone to the wall. Of course, the makers of very fine, high-priced planos have not been affected to any great excent, for a man or woman who can pay from six to iffeen hundred for a piano can afford to buy one, two, or three \$100 bleyeles. But

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to buy one, two, or three \$100 bleycles. But
this is not true of the mother who saves up
to buy for her daughter Sally a plane on the
installment plan. She can't get a bleycle and
a mino, too, so Sally takes the bleycle, and so
does Mary, and flessle, and Susie, and all the
rest of the dear girls. In the mean time the
poor dealer's trousers get baggy at the knees,
and he can't alford to have them pressed, and
his collars and cuffs fray out. Finally he
makes an assignment, and the dear girls wheel
on, never dreaming that they are in any way
responsible for his financial embarrassment.
And so it gies."

Business and professional men don't seem to
be angry because wheeling is taking money
out of their pockets. They are simply stunned
when they think of the hold that the bleycle
has on the public. There are two classes of
professional men, however, who are outspoken
in their objections to so much bleycle riding,
and they are allied against an anusement
which the doctors almost universally advise
as healthful. And a queer enough combination it is, too, this one of the stage and publit.
Theatrical managers object to bleycle riding
because they say that it hurts the patronage of
the playhouses. Some ministers are raving
against the wheel because not only the young
people but the old ones go riding in preference
to going to church. For a while the theatrical managers thought that their galleries were
empty because people were buying bleycles on
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"But that couldn't have been so," asserted one manager. "For it doesn'take long to pay for a wheel, and the people haven't leone back to the galleries yet, and they be had time to wear out two or three wheels. Then, too, it wasn't long before unfilled rows began to stare at us from the orchestra, and the boxes had a look of goneness about them, and we were forced to believe that the people were out riding on their wheels, and this is the truth of the matter. Some of the managers laid the dull searon to the fact that prices have been advanced in some of the theatres. That's all nonsense. Biking is responible for it all, and the worst of it is, we can't tell where the thing is to ena.

Some of the preachers are just as bad off in a way as the managers. Sunday after Sunday they preach to empty pews, while nearly all of the young people of their congregations are reading sermons in stones and green trees as they askim along country roads on their safetias. Furthermore, the pillars of the church uphold them in it, and in many cases accompany them on their runs to see that they keep the Sabbath properly. One difference between the parsons and the theatrical managers, however, is that the former get their money just the same, whether the churches are full or empty, and the latter do not. The managers are hopeless, but the outlook now is that the itivelists will lead the ministers captive to their steel steeds.

A year age the pastor of a church in Jersey City brought down the name of crank on his head from his fellow elegramen when he as nonneed that he would preach a sermen to

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cyclists, and requested all who were ford of the sport to attend the service in bloycle costume. Following this a well-known tarry, man in this city tried to rent the biggest bleycle academy on the Boulevard every Sunday afternoon for the purpose of holding a service for cyclists. The cyclists themselves were about the only people who did not scoff at the idea, and to-day no man or woman who rides a wheel is lacking in regard for that man. Sermons like the one preached by Jersy's progressive minister, and propositions, like that of his New York hother, are common nowadays. It is considered proper in some localities to ride bicycles to church, and in these places a room is provided where wheels can be checked and cleaned while services are in progress. However, the majority of ministers haven't shared in bicycling to that extent, and they join hands with the managers of dramatic and opera companies, and with one and wheeling where wheels will be served to the bicycle business on that of the music teachers and dealers. "I don't know where it is all going to end," he said with a laugh, "but what can we do about it? Nothing. Wheeling has simply been rainous to my business. In times past, before people induiged in bloycling to any extent, I furnished music to over three thousand amateur opera clubs and vocal societies all over three cuprainty every year. That is a conservative estimate, My business has fallen of just two-thirds. Then these societies always gave three cutertainments during the season, one at Christmas, another at Easier, and wound to with a spring catertainment, usually a May festival. Now they give one, usually in the spring. They used to begin to reheave on the last of September; now the directors write and say that it's no use to begin until the snow is on the ground or the weather exceedingly cold, for the young people will not attend reheards so long as they can get out on their wheels. In the branch of chorus music and yocal scores for study, wheeling has affected my trades entil hard begin and

TROUBLE IN ASIA MINOR.

Serious Disturbances Setween the Armeni-CONSTANTINOPLE, May 6,-Serious disturb-

ances have taken place at Akshehr between the Kurds and Armenians who are connected with the work of constructing the railway between Akshehr and Konieh, in Asia Minor, but no details of the rioting have yet been received here. The number of arrests of Armenians in this city The Pope in Good Health.

ROME, May 6 .- The latest reports concerning the physical condition of the Pope say that he is in vigorous health. He celebrated mass today in the presence of hundreds of pilgrims and afterward held a reception at which a large number of persons were present.

The Italians Withdraw from Adigrat. ROME. May 6. The Government has received

advices saying that the Italian forces have withdrawn from Adigrat. This indicates that the Italian garrison at Adigrat and the force which has just relieved it

will fall back on the more northern posts occu-

pled by Italy during the rainy season, when

military operations cannot be carried on. Disparaging Manitoba.

LIVERPOOL, May 6 .- The Mercury of this city prints a communication from the Carpenters and Joiners' Union of Winnipeg, Manitoba, in which mechanics and laborers are advised against emigrating to Manitoba. The commu-nication speaks disparagingly of the country generally.

Cardinal Blanchi Very III. LONDON, May 6 .- The Daily Chronicle to-mor ow will publish a despatch from Rome saying that Cardinal Angelo Bianchi, Bishop of Pales-trins, Pro-Datary of his Holiness, is suffering from an attack of apopiczy and that his condi-tion is serious.

Col. North Died of Synchpe, LONDON. May 6,-The inquest held upon the body of Col. North, who died auddenly in the office of the Guano Syndicate Festerday, has shown that his death was caused by syncope.

INGENIOUS PARIS SMUGGLERS. Tricks Brearted to for Getting Dutiable

From the Philadelphia Evening To egraph.
Smuggling contraband articles into Paris is a

very lucrative business apparently, for a case discovered a few weeks ago so claborate in its organization as to make one judge of the profit gained by the lavish outlay. Every afternoon for weeks past a handsome carriage, drawn by two fine horses and occupied by a well-dressed woman, has driven out of Paris, and, after an absence of a and occupied by a well-dressed woman, has driven out of Paris, and, after an absence of a couple of hours, would drive back into the city. The lady was accompanied by an invalid, a man with the high collar of his avereant termed up to his ears and his hat drawn over his brows, so that a very small portion of his pare face was visible. The customs officials a wars open the door of any passing carriage and each in a perfunctory way if his mance, have anything to deciare, but they never these any investigation, and the party might have outtimed its daily rides for years to come but for an actions. On opening the carriage cher the other day, the official noticed that the lady had dropped her headskerchief on the floor of the arrows and gallantly basicated to post it up, but in his haste struck vidently again to the invalid said you make a front to the apologized civility, but he is valid tail to the blow, and the official this kind on the invalid selections, but his hand on the invalid selection, the lady peaked for a range of the white selections had his hand on the invalid selection, the lady peaked for a range of or and alighted as the machine of the arrows of the four of the host of the passed of any displacement, the lady peaked for a range for a first war soon disconcept, the invalid was indeed with heavy. To judge from the long, with a wax head, and the the selection have have been eaught so it he a matter of securation merely as to the identity of the people who or an invalid set of the people who or an invalid s TIGHTS SPLIT A CHURCH.

THEY WERE WORN BY TWO SIRES OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Girls Are Pretty and Young-They Made Rits in Their Fleshings and in an Operatin, but Some Folks Object to Tights, and the Congregation is Divided, Grace Protestant Episcopal Church, at Erie and Second streets, Jersey City, has become divided over what Mrs. Bennitt, the wife of the Rev. George S. Bennitt, the rector, describes as a very ridiculous matter. The church has a large and wealthy congregation. Much of its prosperity is due to the fact that high-class entertainments are frequently given by the teach ers and attendants of the Sunday school. It is on account of one of these entertainments that the present trouble exists. The leaders of the contending factions are Mrs. Alvan Clapp and

> Lacy is superintendent of the infant department, in which children from 7 to 18 years old are taught. The trouble dates back as far as last December Miss Clapp has a talent for training children to sing and act, and Mr. Bennitt requested her to get up an entertainment for the holiday season, Miss Clapp decided to produce "The Talisman," a three-act operata. She selected thirty-four voices from the adult and infant departments and put them in training.
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> There was only one obstacle which Miss Claps

> Miss Emma Lacy. Miss Clapp is a teacher of an adult class in the Sunday school and Miss

ound any difficulty in surmounting. Two o the characters in the operetta are Don Carlos and Sir Roland, rival aspirants for the hand of a Spanish beauty. Having no boys competent to assume the rôles of the rival lovers, Miss Clapp cast girls for the parts. That was easy enough, but the perplexing problem was, what kind of costume should they wear? It would be absurd to have girls in skirts and gowns taking the part of men. Miss Clapp decided to put Don Carlos and Sir Reland in tights. Miss Anness and Miss Wunder, each about 15 years old, had been cast for the parts. Rector Bennitt was consulted and he saw no objection to the proposed cos-tumes, and it was decided that the tights should be black and that the girls should also went short black skirts.

The operatta was produced and the perfor ance was a success. Miss Anness and Miss Wunder made a hit in their costumes. Of course their voices and clever acting were their

Miss Lacy attended the performance and she declared that it was disgraceful. She vowed that she would never allow any of the children in hes department to take part in Miss Clapp's entertainments. She secured many sympathizers among the elderly ladies of the church. Miss Clapp went right along giving entertainments and the audiences were always large enough to be profitable to the church. About two weeks ago it was announced than

"The Talisman" would be reproduced. Miss Lacy and some of her faction went to Mr. Bennitt and made a protest. Mr. Bennitt said that he could not see any impropriety in the girls wearing tights and short skirts. They were only young girls, he said; were children in fact, Failing to persuade the rector to forbid the performance, Miss Lacy resigned her superin-

formance, Miss Lacy resigned ner superintendency, and some of her friends went with her,
After that Miss Clapp aggravated her alleged
offence by producing the "Mischief Maker."
Miss Lacy was seen yesterday by a Sux reporter. "I did not resign," she said, "on account of Miss Clapp's entertainment, but because my health has become impaired and the
work is arduous, I have no hesitation in saving, however, that dancing and sword drills
have been conspicuous features of her entertainments. I have no desire to criticise her
methods. She is an earnest worker, and I believe that she is conscientious. There may be a
difference of opinion as to the propriety of allowing young girls to appear in tights at church
entertainments, but they are honest differences."

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"The whole thing is just this," said Miss Clapp, who was found at her home, 102 Wayne street. The girls did wear tights and little short skirts, but I consulted their parents and Mr. Bennitt about it before we gave the operetta. I thought it would be all right for girls 14 years old to wear tights with short skirts. It is true that one of them is a pretty hig girl, but still I never heard any complaint about the first performance. It was just lovely. Everybody said it was a success. Then some of those other women began to talk, and how they talked. They gave poor entertainments and became envious. I repeated my operetta by request, and it was again a great success. Those women did all they could to keep their friends away, and spread all kinds of stories about the performance, but it did them no good. Bome of them even said that I sent children into saloons to sell tikets, but that was absolutely false. Everything I did was with the knowledge and backing of Rector Bennitt and the leading people in the church and Sunday school."

The Rev. Mr. Bennitt is out of town. Mrs. Bennitt said the fuss was scandalous. She attended the performance and saw nothing objectionable in it. Everything was done with Mr. Bennitt's approval. Mrs. Bennitt thinks that he "breeze" has been raised by somebody who is seeking notoriety.

A Woman Missionary Sont to Jail.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., May 6,—A woman giving the name of Mrs. Fay and claiming to be a missionary representative of Dr. Stone's Methdist Church, in New York, was arrested in odist Church, in New York, was arrested in this city to-day for intoxication, and in default of a fine was sent to jail for ten days. Mrs. Fay said that she was travelling in the country in the interests of an orphans' home. In her satchel was a Bible and a bundle of tracts. She is on the verge of delirum tremens. She met several men on the street and requested them to accompany her to neighboring saloons.

Gorman Won's Go to the Chiengo Convention.

BALTIMORE, May 6.—The Democratic State Central Committee to-day decided to hold the State Convention in Baltimore on June 10 to select delegates to the National Convention at Chicago. Senator Gorman directed the work of the committee. The Sonator will not go to Chicago as a delegate or as an onlooker.

Coal Oil Johnny on a Small Scale.

Prom the Pittsburgh Disputch.

CUMBERLAND, Md., May 3.—For some days past there has been a very eccentric person here by the name of M. M. Hest of Oakland, Md. lie is the son of a farmer living in Garrett county, and recently, through the death of an uncle in Scotiand, has become possessed of quite a fortune.

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After being lifted from poverty to affluence he came to the city and has been attracting much attention. Among one of the first rhings be did after arriving here was to hunt up a list of poor people, and, taking them into the stores, would tell the merchant to give them whatever they called for, and "I'll pay the bill."

Then he went to the glass factory, where there are something like 100 girls employed, and wanted to know from them how much they received per day. On receiving an answer that they averaged anywhere from 25 to 75 cents, he said: "Well, I'll give you enough money to make it a dollar a day."

One of his most peculiar traits is the wearing of a very large bouquet on the lapsel of his coat, and for which he mays \$1, and which he changes as often as three and four times a day. He has a fondness for electric cars, and rides on them almost all day long. The ladies are another one of his attractions, and to them he raises his hat like a Chesterfield.

Hessiles a large bank account he has a net income of \$300 per month.

Travelled as an Indian.

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From the Cheyenne Sun-Loader.

A few days ago a colored man named James was desirous of reaching the coast, but not having the price of transportation, devised a science, through a bint from a friend, of beating the railroad company.

His friend told him to disguese himself as an Indian by putting a blanket over his head and body in the same fashion as the noble redman does and get on the platform of a passenger train, and that he would then be able to make the purney at little expense. and that he would then be able to make army at little expense. colored man did as advised, and every-

The colored man did as advised, and everything went along very-smoothly until he reached
(sizen). Ferry, in blank, where a segle-eyed
brakeman discovered that the Indian impersonator had on a pair of gainer, showing a very fine
gloss. Knowing that all true indians were meccasins, the brakeman thought something was
wrong, and investigated the matter, when the
fraud was discovered and the wands be colored
intian was threat from the train. The fact
that no fare a charged Indians an tiovernment
satisfized railreads condend the pan a very
feablide one, especially in this case, as the party
had a bronze complexion.

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